Sermon Notes for 31 May 2020

**Text:** 1 Corinthians 15:20-23 and 54-57

**Question**: Is life a comedy or a tragedy?

**Implications of the resurrection: #2 - More Resurrections.**

But how does Jesus' resurrection mean there will be more?

Is Jesus a:

* Pioneer?
* Coach?
* Role-Model?

The passage helps us understand how Jesus' resurrection means more resurrections.

**1. A Captain**

To be 'in Adam/Christ' is like having them as your captain.

Well - what if there was a captain for the whole human race?

* The Bible says we have such a captain...

**2. Captain Adam**

Adam is mankind's captain.

Who was Adam?

* The first person God created - who disobeyed God
* his disobedience means we also die

So Paul says in 1Cor 15:22 'as in Adam all die'. With Adam as our captain we all die.

But there is another captain...

**3. Captain Jesus**

The contrast with Adam is significant.

With Jesus as our captain we can have resurrection too.

Jesus is not just our pioneer, coach or role-model!

But with Jesus as my captain - he wins resurrection for me.

So; that's how Jesus' resurrection means there will be more resurrections. He is our captain.

**Is life a comedy or a tragedy?**

* It depends who your captain is.

So - if you aren't a Christian, will you come to Jesus as your Lord and captain?

If you do, and if you have, you can join with Paul at the end of the chapter where he taunts death:

'Where O death is your victory?

Where O death is your sting?'